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1. [] Checked again with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, about our dealings with Messrs. Jones and Copenhaver, House Government Activities Subcommittee, House Government Operations Committee, with regard to the proposed sale of SAT. I told Slatinshek that as a matter of courtesy we plan to provide most of the information that Jones had requested but we felt the details as to how the sale figure had been reached and related information was something within the jurisdiction of the House Armed Services Committee whom we have kept informed. I said we planned to give Jones some general information on this subject but refer him to Herb Roback, of the full Committee staff, and if necessary to both Slatinshek and Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee if he presses the issue of our legal right to dispose of the airline. Slatinshek said this was agreeable to him.

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2. [] General Walters called to say he had received an invitation to attend the Congressional Prayer Breakfast on 31 January from Representative William Jennings Bryan Dorn and wondered if he should change his plans to be out of the country in order to attend. I said I saw no problem in the General going to the breakfast but saw no reason for him to change his plans for this purpose.

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3. [] Richard Lehman, D/OCI, called to alert us to the fact that [] has learned informally that the Watergate Committee staff is interested in speaking to []

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[] about the briefings they gave former Attorney General Mitchell on behalf of the Agency during his tenure in office. We have received no official request on this and we will do nothing until contacted by the Committee.

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4. [] At their request, John Warner and I met with Fred Janney (D/OP) and [] to discuss the matter of the supergrade pay ceiling. It was agreed that we should wait until the President sends his budget message to the Congress to see if the Administration has a proposal to cope with this problem. If it does not, Janney may consider raising the subject with the Civil Service Commission and/or the personnel directors of other Government departments and agencies.

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